

January 3, 1945

Funeral Services Held On Friday for Mrs. M. Shearn

Mrs. Matilda Shearn, 70, who died early last Tuesday, Dec. 25, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Merle Walter, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coverdale, born at Lemars, Iowa, April 24, 1875. The family moved to Elk Point in 1878, among the earliest settlers in that community. She attended school at Elk Point, and college at Fremont, Nebr., later teaching in South Dakota and Iowa.

She married Martin Shearn on March 2, 1897, at Delhi, Iowa, where they lived until moving to Westport in 1907. They came to Aberdeen and resided there for seven years when the family came to Groton.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Mary Clemensen, Conde and Mrs. Alice Walter, Groton; one son, Francis Shearn, Lodi, Calif.; two sisters and several grandchildren. Mr. Shearn preceded her in death in 1938.

Funeral services were conducted at St. John's Catholic church, Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock with the Rev. Fr. Thos. J. Shanley officiating. Interment was made at the Groton Catholic cemetery.

Relatives and friends from out-of-town who attended the funeral were Francis Shearn, Lodi, Calif.; Francis Shearn, Delhi, Iowa, Mrs. Myrtle Clemensen, Adeline and Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Tollefson, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mullally, Aberdeen; Mr. and Mrs. Manoah Clemensen and daughter, Mrs. Margaret Pinegar, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Jensen, Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hocking, Miss Ida Smith and Ernest Smith, all of Conde.

Rosary was said at the Paetznick Funeral Home Thursday evening.

Mrs. Shearn was a kind friend and good neighbor whose many friends regret her departure and extend sincere sympathy to bereaved survivors.